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2 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
3 DISTRICT OF NEVADA

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5 Keith Donald,

6 Plaintiff,

7 v.

8 Chris Lee, et al.,

9 Defendants.
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Case No. 2:25-cv-00016-APG-BNW

ORDER

11 Plaintiff—who is currently incarcerated—submitted an application to proceed *in forma*
12 *pauperis* (“IFP”). ECF No. 1.

13 Under the Local Rules, an incarcerated plaintiff seeking to proceed without paying the
14 filing fee must complete an application to proceed IFP and attach “a certificate from the
15 institution certifying the amount of funds currently held in the applicant’s trust account at the
16 institution and the net deposits in the applicant’s account for the six months before the date of
17 submission of the application.” LSR 1-2; *see also* 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(2) (requiring an
18 incarcerated plaintiff seeking IFP status to submit “a certified copy of the trust fund account
19 statement (or institutional equivalent) for the prisoner for the 6-month period immediately
20 preceding the filing of the complaint . . . , obtained from the appropriate official of each prison at
21 which the prisoner is or was confined.”). If the plaintiff has been incarcerated at the institution for
22 fewer than six months, the certificate must show the account’s activity for the shortened period.
23 LSR 1-2.

24 Here, plaintiff’s IFP application is incomplete because it lacks a financial certificate from
25 the institution where plaintiff is detained showing the amount of funds currently in plaintiff’s trust
26 account and the net deposits in the account for the six-months preceding plaintiff’s application.
27 Accordingly, the Court lacks the information necessary to resolve plaintiff’s request to proceed
28 IFP.

7 First, Plaintiff is advised that he must specify which claims he is alleging against which
8 defendants. Although the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure adopt a flexible pleading policy,
9 Plaintiff still must give defendants fair notice of each of the claims he is alleging against each
10 defendant. Specifically, he must allege facts showing how each named defendant is involved and
11 the approximate dates of their involvement. Put another way, Plaintiff should tell the Court, in
12 plain language, what each defendant did to him and when. “While legal conclusions can provide
13 the framework of a complaint, they must be supported with factual allegations.” *Ashcroft v. Iqbal*,
14 556 U.S. 662, 679 (2009).

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1 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Clerk of Court must send plaintiff a blank
2 application to proceed *in forma pauperis* by an inmate as well as the accompanying instruction
3 packet.

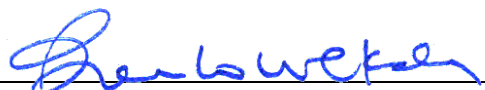
4 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Clerk of Court send to Plaintiff the approved form
5 for filing a § 1983 complaint and instructions for the same.

6 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that by February 28, 2025, plaintiff must either: (1) file a
7 complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis*, on the correct form with complete financial
8 attachments, or (2) pay the full \$405 fee for filing a civil action, which includes the \$350 filing
9 fee and the \$55 administrative fee.

10 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that by February 28, 2025, plaintiff must file a complaint.

11 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that failure to timely comply with this order may result in
12 a recommendation to the district judge that this case be dismissed. *See* LR IA 11-8.

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14 DATED: January 7, 2025.

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18 BRENDA WEKSLER
19 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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